(b) whether it is also a fact that adverse situation is a result of non-compliance of phased plan according to the time to bring trained pilots in the Civil-Aviation Sector;

(c) whether Air Force has been requested by the Department of Civil Aviation to provide special assistance in the matter; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) As against requirement of 1580 sets of crew equivalent to 3140 professional pilots, 2940 pilots are available leaving a shortfall of 7%.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. However, requests by the flying training institutes to hire Defence pilots for imparting flying training are being considered on merit and priority.

Compensation to shareholders of M/s. Uncle Chipps

4299. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR: Will the Minister of COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether M/s Pepsico India Holdings Pvt. Ltd. had taken over M/s. Uncle chipps Company Ltd.;

(b) if so, what was the scheme of merger and whether all the shareholders of M/s Uncle Chipps as on the date of merger have been allotted shares in the M/s Pepsico India Holding Pvt. Ltd.;

(c) if not, whether any compensation was paid to the shareholders of M/s. Uncle Chipps;

(d) if so, details thereof; and

(e) what action shall be taken against M/s. Pepsico India Holdings Pvt. Ltd. to ensure that shareholders of M/s. Uncle Chipps get the share of the merged company or compensation in lieu of that?

THE MINISTER OF COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.